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**Sent:** Monday, July 10, 2006 3:48 PM  
**To:** DocketClerk, MOAB  
**Subject:** UGLY RIPE TOMATOES

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

WE ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE FLORIDA TOMATO COMMITTEE PREVENTING UGLY-RIPE TOMATOES FROM BEING SHIPPED OUT OF FLORIDA DUE TO SHAPE ISSUES.

THE UGLY-RIPE IS A SPECIALTY VARIETY THAT SHOULD NOT BE SUBJECT TO THE FLORIDA TOMATO COMMITTEE'S SHAPE ISSUES.

WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR OPINION THAT THE FLAVOR AND THE READY ACCEPTANCE OF THE UGLY RIPE TOMATO IN THE MARKET PLACE SHOULD ALLOW SHIPMENT ALL OVER THE USA WITHOUT ANY RESTRICTION GROWN DURING ANY TIME OF THE YEAR.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF WE NEED A DIFFERENT FORMAT TO EXPRESS THIS OPINION TO THE USDA.

THANK YOU.

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